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Gen. Nicolas RADESCU for the United States."

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1. There were about 30 people at the St. Lazare station, Paris, to bid good-bye to General Nicolas RADESCU, who was supposed to sail for the United States on the S.S. Queen Elizabeth 20 November. (Field Comment: It is presumed that the General is still in Paris, as is the case with the other people who went to Cherbourg but were unable to sail on account of the strike.) These persons, representing various political parties, might well have been a union of anti-Communist Rumanians had RADESCU been able to achieve the purpose for which he came to Paris. The General distributed a mimeographed proclamation to his well-wishers and declared that he would continue his efforts to consolidate the different parties into a common bloc. So far, both the Liberal Party and National Peasant Party have refused to enter into a union.

2. Source attributes Gen. RADESCU's failure in this respect to the attitude of the King, who is in turn influenced by his advisors. Augustine POPA, chief of National Peasants in Paris, went to the King's residence in Villefranche, where he remained two weeks. He came back without any results. Later, Mihail PARCASANU of the Liberal Party, made a like trip to see the King, returning just in time to tell RADESCU good-bye.

3. The King's advisors include two aides, one Major VERGOTTI (also Constantin), the other, General Petre LAZAR. The latter appears to act against RADESCU. He advised the King not to approve RADESCU's plan of uniting all the Rumanians under the Rumanian Committee of Liberation. It is alleged that during a recent audience of RADESCU with the King, LAZAR interfered and contradicted RADESCU. The French Surete reportedly suspects LAZAR of being a Communist agent. Major VERGOTTI is supposed to be the lover of Helen, the Queen Mother. (also Greta ELENA), the Queen Mother.

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